Before the Board of Zoning Adjustment, D.C.

PUBLIC HEARING: September 15, 1971

Appeal No. 10880   Wendall A. Parris, et ux, Appellants.

THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Appellee.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried with Messrs. Mackey and Scrivener absent, the following Order of the Board was entered at the meeting of September 21, 1971.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDER: November 23, 1971

ORDERED:

That the appeal for a variance from the rear yard requirements of the R-1-B District to permit a 1-story rear addition to dwelling at 3191 Westover Drive, S.E., Lots 13 and 14, Sq. 5664, be GRANTED.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

1.   The subject property is located in an R-1-B District.
2.   The property is improved with a two-story single-family dwelling.
3.   Appellant requests a variance from the rear yard requirements to permit a 1-story rear addition.
4.   Appellant stated that this appeal is made on the basis of a personal physical hardship in that he suffers from claustrophobia.
5.   Appellant stated that due to his condition of claustrophobia it is necessary to sleep on a shaded screen and glass porch.
6.   No opposition was registered at the public hearing to the granting of this appeal.
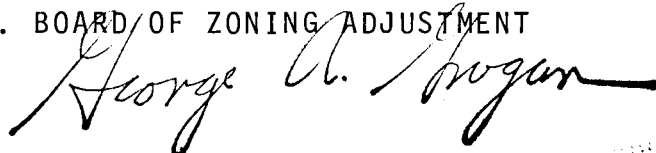
OPINION:

We are of the opinion that the appellant has proved a hardship within the meaning of the variance clause of the Zoning Regulations and that a denial of the requested relief will result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties and undue hardship upon the owner.

Further, we hold that the requested relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and Map.

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

ATTESTED

By: _____
                    GEORGE A. GROGAN
                    Secretary of the Board

THAT THE ORDER OF THE BOARD IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS ONLY UNLESS APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING AND/OR OCCUPANCY PERMIT IS FILED WITH THE DIRECTOR OF INSPECTIONS WITHIN A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDER.